THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The following projects have the ECB approval:

1. Dabhol CCGT (695 MW)
2. lb Valley TPS (420 MW)
3. Jegurupadu GBPP (235 MW)
4. Kakinaoa GBPP (208 MW)
5. Zero Unit (NLC) TPS (250 MW)
6. Paguthan GBPP (655 MW)

Fast track project of Mangalore TPS (1000 MW) is not likely to receive ECB disbursement for 1995-96.

Following Projects other than fast track: projects are expected to receive ECB disbursements in 1995-96;

1. Roza, TPS (750 MW)
2. Pillaiperumalnur GBPP (300 MW)
3. Gouripore TPS (150 MW)
2. JBTC TPS (240 MW)
5. Maheshwar TPS (400 MW)
6. Ballagarh TPS (500 MW)
7. Consolidated Electric Power Asia Ltd. (3300 MW)

(c) The possibility of raising the ceilings would be examined by the Government after these projects receive all clearances.

visit of President of Public Service Enterprises Group Inc. USA

3463. SHRI HIPHEI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the President of Public Service Enterprises Group Inc. (PSEG) USA the third largest power company, in US visited India in recent past:

(b) if so, the detatls there of along with the objectives of the visits;

(c) whether the President, PSEG had indicated that US power firms will make investment in the power and related sectors in India in a large manner;

(d) whether for future plans in India in the Power and related sectors, PSEG had already held discussions and negotiations with Central Electricity Authority, Steel Authority of India etc. for joint ventures;

(e) if so, the details there of with progress made in this regard;

(f) whether Government propose to take some measures to finalise the effort made by President, PSEG in near future; and

(g) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therfor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL): (a) to (c) The President of Public Service Enterprises Group Inc: (PSEG), USA visited Ministry of Power on 13.3.1995 and expressed interest in investtng in India's power sector.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) to (g) Doe's not arise.

Proposed for Augmentation of Transmission System

3464. SHRI HIPHEI: Will the Minister or POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Power Grid Corporation has sent some proposals for Augmentation of transmission system in South Assam, Mizoram and Tripura;

(b) if so, the details thereof with estimated cost involved for each:

(c) wheher Government have approved these proposals;

(d) if so, the details thereof and by when augmentation work is likely to be undertaken; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL) : (a) to (e). Yes, Sir. The Government have already approved the proposal of POWERGRID for augmentation of Transmission System in South Assam, Mizoram and Tripura at an estimated cost of Rs. 83.57 crores. The scheme envisages construction of following transmission lines and substations.

132 KV S/C lines:

1. Khandong-Khliehriat (POWER-GRID —54 km.
2. Loop-in and Loop-out of existing Khandong-Khliehriat line at Khliehriat switching station of POWERGRID—6 km.
3. Badarpur (ASEB)—Badarpur switching station of POWER-GRID—5 Km.
4. Khliehriat (POWERGRID)—Badarpur (POWERGRID) — 110 km.
5. Badarpur (POWERGRID) — Jiri-bam — 60 km.
6. Badarpur (POWERGRID) — Ku-marghat — 160 km.
7. Kolesib-Aizaul-80 km.

132 KV D/C strung S]C lines

Badarpur—Kolasib — 100 km.

Substations:

1. New 132 KV switching stations at Khliehriat and Badarpur
2. Extension of existing 132 KV sub-stations at Khandong (NEEP-CO), Badarruir (ASEB), Jiribam (POWERGRID), Kumarghat CPOWERGRTD) and Aizwal (POWERGRID).

The project is scheduled to be com-missioned within a period of 42 months.

Report of Confederation *of* Indian Industries on power stations

3465. SHRI PARMESHWAR KUMAR AGARWALLA : Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a report made by the Confederation of Indian Indus-trie;; (CU) on Modernisation and Re-vamping of Thermal/Steam Power Stations";

(b) if so, whether Government a?ree with the observations and recommen-dations made by the *CU* Task Force, particularly relating to the short terms measures for optimisation of the installed capacity;

(c) if so, the action taken or pro-posed to be taken thereon and if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) which are the power plants and units identified by the Central Elec-tricity Authority and the Power Fin-ance Corporation for Life Extension and Renovation and Modernisation works during the past five years;

(e) the action taken for the identi-fied power planes and units and the progress in this regard;

(f) whether Government have con-sidered the rehabilitation of existing power plants under Leasing, Rehabi-litation, Oprations and Transfer (LROT) scheme or any esttce sucme and

(g) if so, the details thereof and if not, t*he reaso*ns therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL : ta) Yes, Sir.

(b) and *(c)* The observations/re-commendations made by the Confe-deration of Indian Industries (CU)